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June 6, 2018

Mr. Joseph Bustos  
Belleville News-Democrat  
120 S. Illinois Street  
Belleville, IL 62222

Dear Mr. Bustos:

SUBJECT: YOUR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) REQUEST

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of June 5, 2018. You seek personnel record information pertaining to Brendan F. Kelly. Your request was received in this office on June 6, 2018, has been assigned FOIA correspondence file number CNPC20180457 by this command.

A releasable copy of available responsive information is attached. The redacted portions of the released documentation are exempt from disclosure under FOIA exemption 6 [5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6)]. Release of such information would be a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of Brendan F. Kelly and other identified individuals. Any injuries sustained would be annotated in the medical record pertaining to the applicable individual. Attached is a printout for the VA Records Management Center should you wish to contact them. They maintain medical records for former Navy military personnel.

Because your request is partially denied by this command, you are advised of your right to appeal this determination in writing to the Office of the Judge Advocate General, OJAG Code 14, 1322 Patterson Avenue SE Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066.

If an appeal is deemed necessary, it must be received in that office within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter, in order to be considered. To expedite an appeal, you should enclose a copy of this letter and a copy of the original request along with a statement regarding why your appeal should be granted. The letter of appeal and the envelope should bear the notation, "FOIA/PA APPEAL."

I am the official responsible for the partial denial of your request. Should you wish to discuss the processing of your request, you may contact the undersigned at (901) 874-3165.

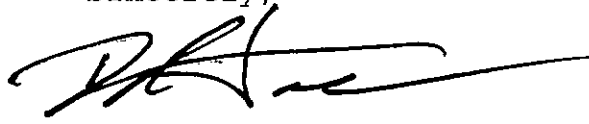
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You may contact the DON FOIA Public Liaison, Christopher Julka, at [Christopher.a.julka@navy.mil](mailto:Christopher.a.julka@navy.mil) or (703) 697-0031. You may also contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) as they provide a voluntary mediation process for resolving disputes between persons making FOIA requests and the Department of the Navy (DON). For more information, please go to: <https://www.archives.gov/ogis/about-ogis/contact-information>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. P. German', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

D. P. GERMAN

FOIA/PA Officer

By direction